



# Easter 2018 Newsletter

## Wishing you a Happy and Holy Easter

### Holy Week

#### Easter Mass Times in Billingham

**Maundy Thursday—Mass of the Lord's Supper St John's Church—7.00pm**

**Good Friday—Children's Stations of the Cross Holy Rosary Church—10.15am**

**Good Friday—Celebration of the Lord's Passion Holy Rosary Church— 3.00pm**

**Holy Saturday— Easter Vigil St Joseph's Church— 8.00pm**

**Easter Sunday— Mass - Holy Rosary— 10am**

*"Happy Easter! May you bring to all the joy and hope of the Risen Christ!"  
Pope Francis*

Holy Week has provided us with the opportunity to celebrate with each other as we remember the Easter story. The children took part in class liturgies to tell a part of the Easter Story—with prayers, hymns and reflections.

Thank you to our families for supporting our children by attending these liturgies. We do hope it gave you an opportunity to reflect upon the message of Easter.

Many thanks to all the children for sharing their talents with such reverence and respect.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who continues to support our school—governors, staff, parents and carers and a special thank you to Fr Butters for his continued support of our school and parish.

*Wishing you all a happy and restful Easter  
Mrs Sinclair  
Headteacher*

### Summer Uniform

Children may wear summer uniform after the Easter holidays —weather permitting!

Red checked dress / grey cardigan/ sweatshirt

Grey trousers / shorts / skirt / white or blue polo shirt/sweatshirt

Please avoid buying opened toed sandals as they can pose a health and safety risk. Can you please ensure that all clothing is clearly labelled.

*Many thanks for your co-operation.*



Foundation Stage Celebrate Palm Sunday

### Easter Fayre

We would like to thank everyone who supported the Easter Fayre in any way. It was a fantastic event with a great atmosphere. The amount raised on the day was approximately £2,500. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the Friends of St Paul's for all their efforts.

Remember every penny raised by Friends of St Paul's through events and contributions goes towards enhancing and supporting our children in school.

A special thanks also goes to Barclaycard for their generous match funding.

**Many thanks again!!**

**We return to school on  
Monday 16th April 2018**



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**He is Risen**

### Questionnaires

Thank you to everyone who completed the questionnaires. We are currently collating the information and will feedback to you once this has been completed. Where possible, we will use this information to improve procedures and policies.

### Sporting Success

Despite some awful weather conditions, our children have continued to show great passion and determination in all sporting events.

This term we have taken part in: cross country, netball, football and swimming competitions.

Six children have qualified for the Tees Valley Cross Country Finals and Millie won a bronze medal at the Stockton Finals. Our netball team won a bronze medal in Stockton Finals and Finn gained a bronze in Stockton swimming finals. Our Year 4 football team missed gaining a place in the finals by one point, a fantastic performance. Reception had a great time at the EYFS festival as did Year 3 at the hula hooping and our Change4life club at their festival. Not to forget the fantastic achievement of our Sports Reporters who won the School Games blog

### Lenten Charity Fundraising

Many thanks to everyone who supported our Lenten fund raising this year with donations for the CAFOD appeal 'Give it Up' and 'Be a Goodie—Wear a Hoodie'

Thanks also for your generosity in supporting our collection for Billingham Food Bank.

### Fairtrade Fortnight

We marked the end of Fairtrade Fortnight by holding another successful Fairtrade Breakfast. The children enjoyed an early start to the day with a range of Fairtrade products—continuing our support for Fairtrade as a Fair Achiever school!

### Easter Story Bags

Children from Year 1 and Year 2 had the opportunity to take the Easter Story Bags home to share with their families. The bags contained a small cross, Easter story book, candle, purple cloth and leaflet explaining how to use the bag. We have received positive feedback from the children, telling us they enjoyed sharing the Easter Story with their families at home.

Children from Key Stage 2 took home a prayer bag to focus on the Stations of the Cross.



### Parents Evenings

Many thanks to everyone who attended parents evenings. This support is invaluable in ensuring the best progress for your child.